

Jesus

Who is This Guy?

Learn about Him
to Live like Him



JESUS IN THE GOSPEL OF MARK

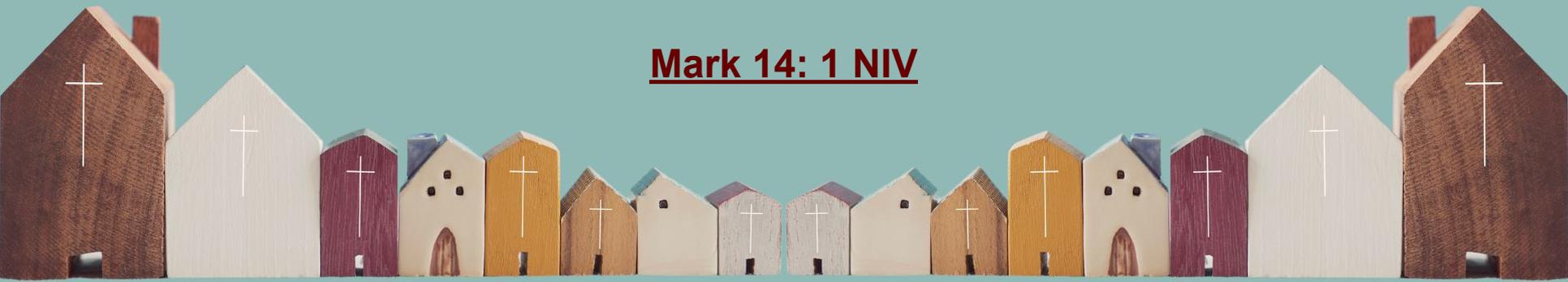
Punchline

**Jesus values you, bring Him what has
value to you**



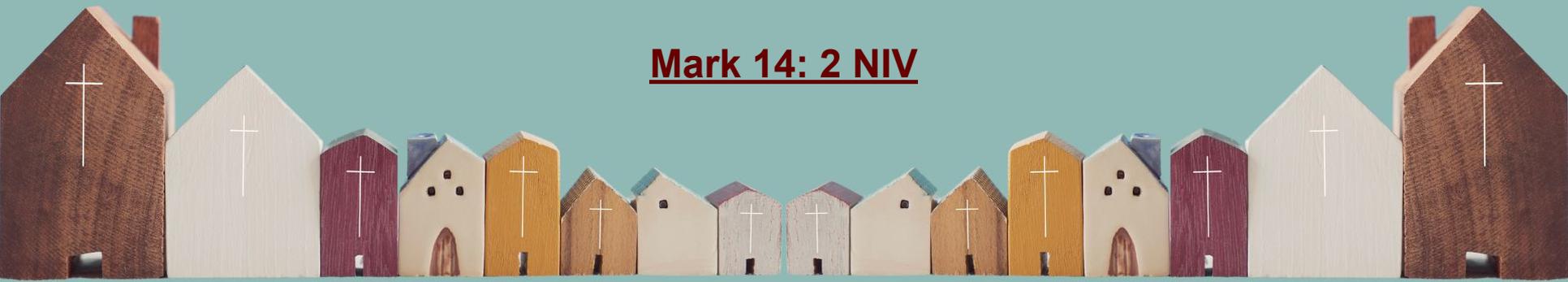
Now the Passover and the Festival of Unleavened Bread were only two days away, and the chief priests and the teachers of the law were scheming to arrest Jesus secretly and kill him.

Mark 14: 1 NIV



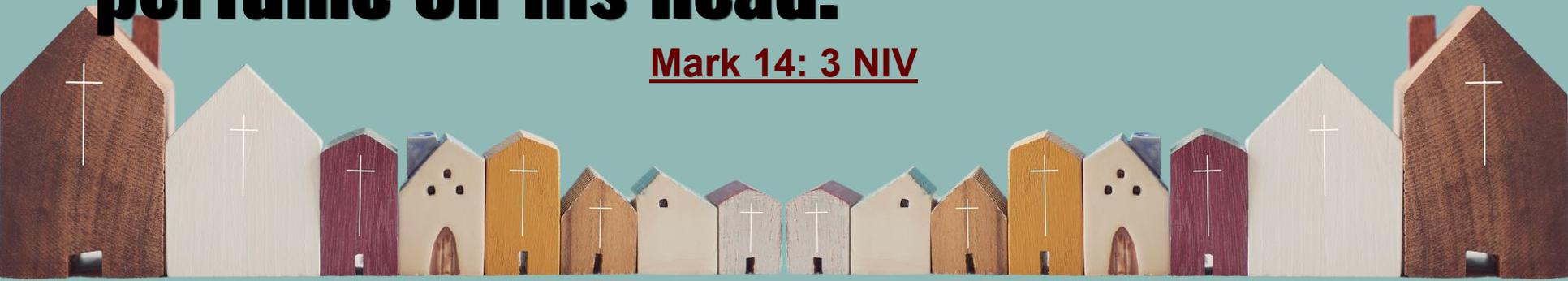
**But not during the festival,” they said,
“or the people may riot.”**

Mark 14: 2 NIV



While he was in Bethany, reclining at the table in the home of Simon the Leper, a woman came with an alabaster jar of very expensive perfume, made of pure nard. She broke the jar and poured the perfume on his head.

Mark 14: 3 NIV



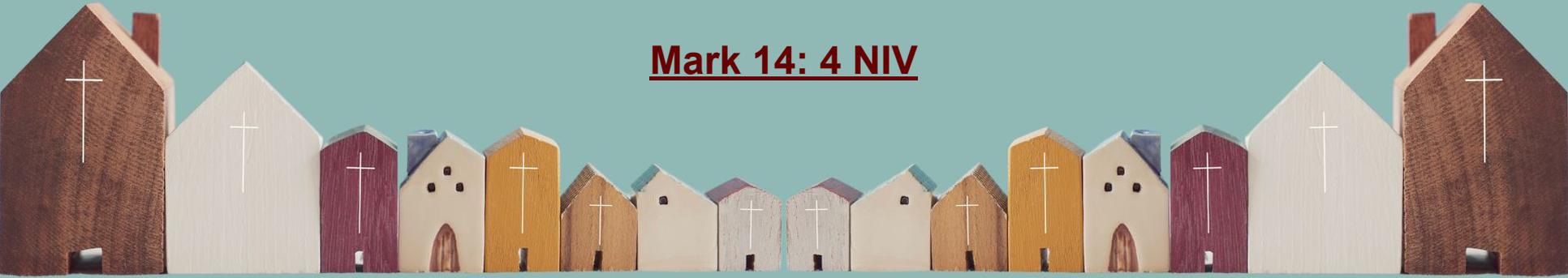
The Alabaster Jar

- ❑ **A woman brings an alabaster jar filled with expensive perfume**
- ❑ **Breaks the jar and pours the perfume over the head of Jesus**



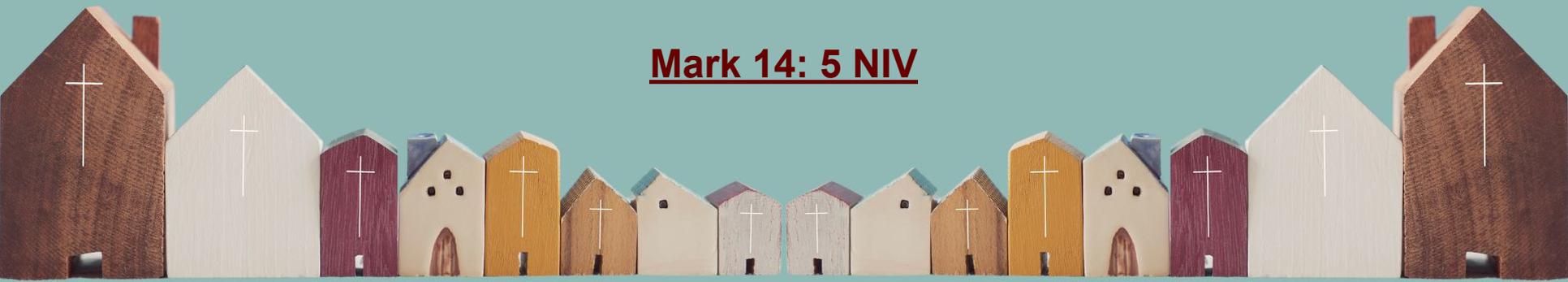
Some of those present were saying indignantly to one another, “Why this waste of perfume?”

Mark 14: 4 NIV



It could have been sold for more than a year's wages and the money given to the poor." And they rebuked her harshly.

Mark 14: 5 NIV



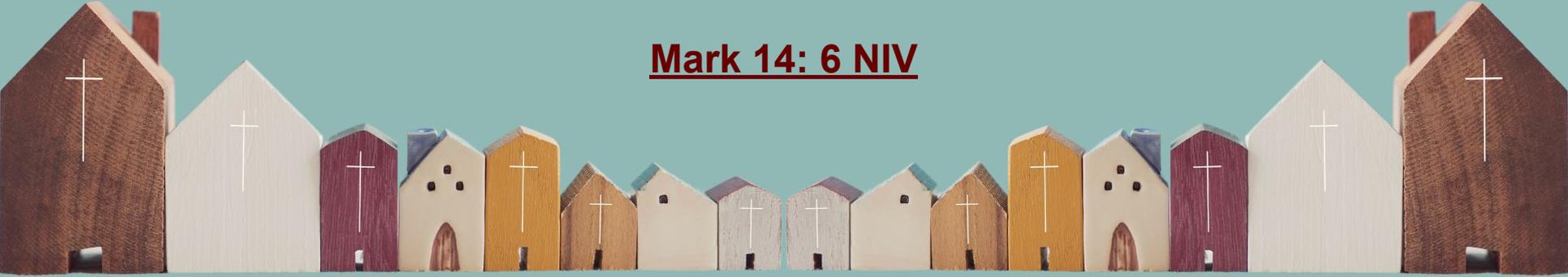
Disciple's Response

- ❑ They were indigent
- ❑ Money from the perfume could have helped the poor
- ❑ The disciples saw it as a waste



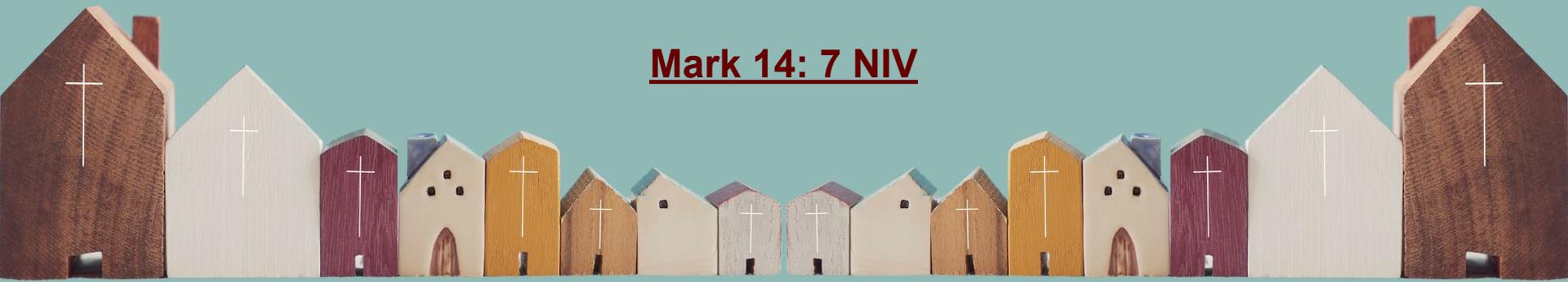
“Leave her alone,” said Jesus. “Why are you bothering her? She has done a beautiful thing to me.

Mark 14: 6 NIV



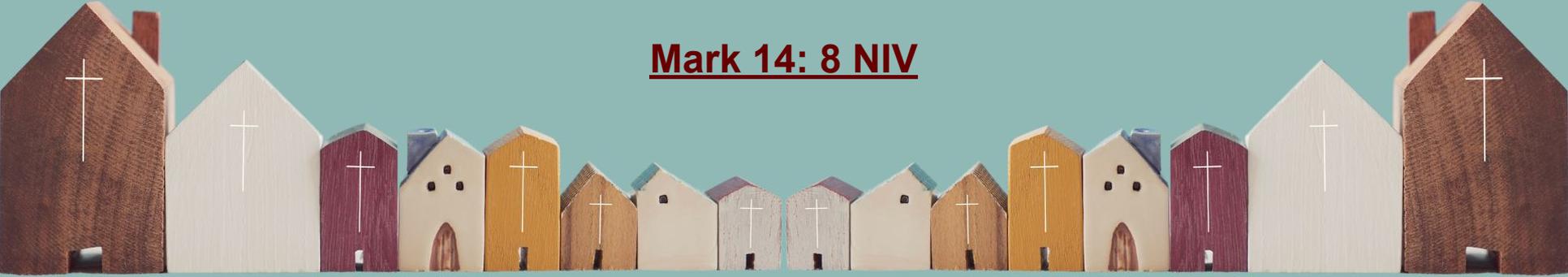
**The poor you will always have with you,
and you can help them any time you
want. But you will not always have me.**

Mark 14: 7 NIV



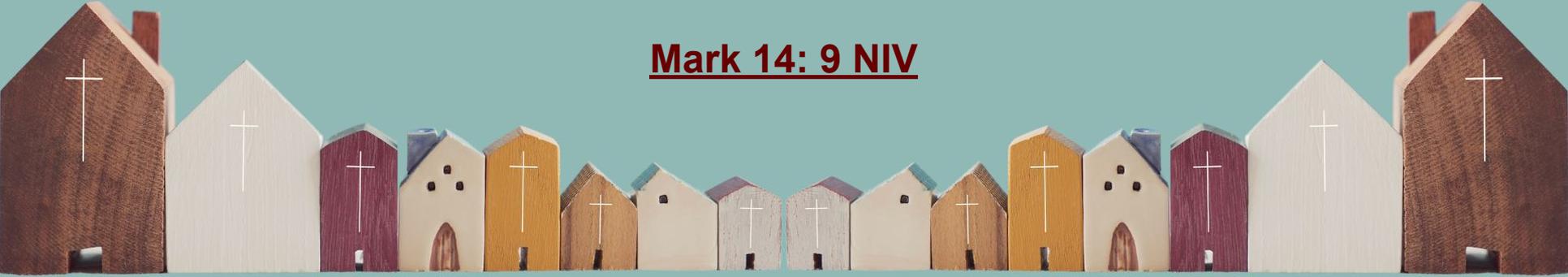
She did what she could. She poured perfume on my body beforehand to prepare for my burial.

Mark 14: 8 NIV



Truly I tell you, wherever the gospel is preached throughout the world, what she has done will also be told, in memory of her.”

Mark 14: 9 NIV



Jesus' Response

- ❑ **The woman has done a beautiful thing**
- ❑ **Right now is a special time**
- ❑ **The oil on the head is preparation for Jesus' burial**
- ❑ **This act of worship will always be remembered**



**Then Judas Iscariot, one of the Twelve,
went to the chief priests to betray Jesus
to them.**

Mark 14: 10 NIV



They were delighted to hear this and promised to give him money. So he watched for an opportunity to hand him over.

Mark 14: 11 NIV



Judas

- ❑ **Treasurer of the disciples**
- ❑ **Offers to hand Jesus over to the chief priests**
- ❑ **From a beautiful act of worship to an ultimate act of betrayal**



PERSONAL

PRACTICAL

CULTURAL

EMOTIONAL

SCARCITY

SPIRITUAL

Our Alabaster Jar

❑ Money

- ❑ You earned it, you have it, it's yours
- ❑ Now worship and honor God with it
- ❑ Honor and worship God with abandon



Our Alabaster Jar

- ❑ **Your home**
 - ❑ **Just like Lydia in Acts 16**
 - ❑ **Inviting people into your home**
 - ❑ **Making your household one that honors and worships God**



Our Alabaster Jar

☐ You

☐ You have value and worth to God

☐ Romans 12: 1 *“Therefore, I urge you, brothers and sisters, in view of God’s mercy, to offer your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and pleasing to God—this is your true and proper worship.*



*MY TURKEY IS BETTER
THAN YOUR TURKEY*



Someone Else's Jar

- ❑ **We see the worship of others through our own narrow eyes**
- ❑ **Whoa! That is over to top**
 - ❑ **Does it make us uncomfortable, is it showy, are we jealous?**



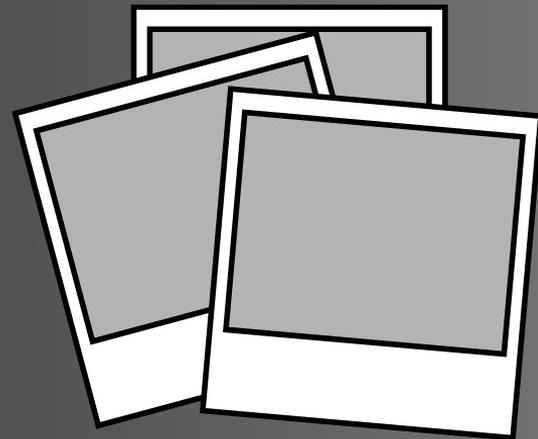
Someone Else's Jar

- ❑ **We feel superior when someone didn't give "enough"**
- ❑ **If you haven't seen God do a lot with a little - open your eyes**
- ❑ **Might have been a massive step of faith for someone to worship how they did**





SEIZE
THE
MOMENT



Seize The Moment

- ❑ **Don't wait for the moment to settle - let it explode**
- ❑ **God sees and remembers that**
- ❑ **God remembers our worship**



Give God Your Worship

- ❑ **Worship with abandon**
- ❑ **Don't compare to others**
- ❑ **Don't miss the moment**

